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# (U) CALIFORNIA

#### (U) Janesville - Man Who Refused to Evacuate Dixie Fire Tried to Run Over Officer

(U) A man who refused to evacuate the Dixie Fire in Lassen County is accused of trying to run over a CHP officer. Officers encountered Willis Dow, 40, of Susanville, a town under mandatory evacuation orders. Investigators say he started running, then got into a pickup truck. Officers told him to stop, but he refused. Dow then allegedly drove the truck in the direction of an officer, forcing him to run out of the way. Dow later pulled over and complied with orders to exit the truck and get on the ground. SOURCE: 20 August 2021, CBS Sacramento

## (U) Spring Valley – Sheriff's Deputies Shut Down Illegal Marijuana Dispensary

(U) Sheriff's deputies raided an unlicensed marijuana dispensary, arrested eight men and seizing loaded guns, cash and cannabis. Detectives, backed up by deputies from several stations, served a warrant at the dispensary. The search turned up three loaded guns and nearly \$17,000 in cash. Deputies also seized more than 160-pounds of processed marijuana and more than 17-pounds of concentrated marijuana. They also found 160-pounds of THC vape products, 303-pounds of THC infused drinks, and 217.5-pounds of THC-infused edibles.

SOURCE: 20 August 2021, San Diego Union Tribune

#### (U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

# (U) Texas – CBP Officers Seize More Than \$2.5 Million in Narcotics and Arrest 17 Fugitives

(U) El Paso – US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers working at El Paso area ports of entry seized more than 60-pounds of cocaine, 12-pounds of fentanyl, seven-pounds of methamphetamine, 650-pounds of marijuana and arrested 17 fugitives. CBP officers assigned to the Paso Del Norte border crossing selected a vehicle driven by a US citizen for further inspection. During a secondary inspection, officers discovered 37-pounds of cocaine and 12.5-pounds of fentanyl hidden in the vehicle. In a second incident, while conducting inspections at the Union Pacific railroad yard, CBP officers detected anomalies in one of the rail cars. A drug-sniffing dog conducted a search of the rail car leading officers to the discovery of 650-pounds of marijuana hidden in the center beams of the rail car.

SOURCE: 20 August 2021, KFOX

# (U) NATIONAL

# (U) District of Columbia - US Charges Man who Made Bomb Threat Near US Capitol

(U) Washington – The United States charged a North Carolina man who last week claimed to have a bomb in his truck near the US Capitol, leading to a five-hour standoff with law enforcement. Floyd Ray Roseberry was charged with threatening to use a weapon of mass destruction and attempting to use an explosive device. A US Magistrate Judge ordered a mental competency evaluation for Roseberry after he said he could not understand the proceedings against him because he had not been able to take his medications for blood pressure and his mind.

SOURCE: 20 August 2021, Reuters

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#### (U) District of Columbia – Capitol Police Officer who Shot Ashli Babbitt Exonerated in Internal Probe

(U) Washington – The Capitol Police officer who fatally shot Ashli Babbitt outside a door of the US Capitol during the January 2021 riot has been formally exonerated after an internal investigation. The officer, whose name has not been released, opened fire on Babbitt as she and others tried to forcefully enter the Capitol. The Justice Department announced in April 2021 that no charges were being brought against the officer. The exoneration by the Capitol Police wraps up the last remaining investigation into the incident.

SOURCE: 20 August 2021, NBC News

#### (U) North Carolina - Additional Charges Filed Against Ex-Marines in Gun Plot

(U) Raleigh – New indictments have been filed against four men, including two former US Marines, in connection with a plot to damage a power grid somewhere in the northwest US. A news release from the US Department of Justice said Paul James Kryscuk, 35, Liam Collins, 21, Jordan Duncan, 26, and Joseph Maurino, 22, were charged last week. Duncan, Kryscuk and Collins were previously indicted on charges of planning to illegally manufacture and sell guns. Prosecutors said the four men researched and discussed a previous attack on a power grid by an unknown group which used assault-style rifles in an attempt to explode a power substation.

SOURCE: 20 August 2021, Associated Press

## (U) Texas – Off-Duty New Orleans Police Officer Fatally Shot at Restaurant

(U) Houston – Authorities in New Orleans identified an off-duty police officer who was fatally shot over the weekend while eating dinner at a Houston restaurant. The officer, Detective Everett Briscoe, was a 13-year veteran of the New Orleans Police Department. Briscoe was described as a celebrated community police officer and is survived by his wife and two sons. A second person who was wounded in the shooting has not been identified. Two suspects who authorities said are linked to the shooting remain at large.

SOURCE: 22 August 2021, NBC News

#### (U) INTERNATIONAL

#### (U) Somalia – Military Kills 60 Al-Shabaab Terrorists

(U) Mogadishu – The Somali national army said troops killed 60 al-Shabaab terrorists, including two senior commanders, in an operation in the southwestern province of lower Shabelle. The operation on the outskirts of Sabib and Anoole villages was carried out early last Friday. Fierce fighting between the army and al-Shabaab terrorists erupted in the area after the group attacked military camps in Anoole before the army operation. The army said it has killed at least 279 terrorists affiliated with the terror group in the past month. Operations also destroyed 20 hideouts and four vehicles laden with explosives and liberated five towns and 16 villages.

SOURCE: 21 August 2021, AA

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